

Democracy thrives on the concept of what our forefathers called the "marketplace of ideas." The consolidation of media afforded per the media ownership changes of the late 90s have created a marketplace of ideas that is bereft of competition. Further ownership consolidation will ensure that our democracy will dwindle into irrelevance. If we really are a shining beacon of democracy, we must not be motivated by pure economics, but must take the responsible actions to ensure that democracy can thrive.

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